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#### Asean Muslim youths learn to be managers

KENYIR, Sun. - Muslim youths in Asean are serious about their roles as good leaders and managers in various fields.

Such spirit was felt today when 140 Asean representatives took part in a five-day Management Training For Asean Young Muslim Leaders programme at the Kenyir Outdoor Leadership Academy, in Kuala Berang.

The project's chairman Nik Affendy Nik Abdul Rashid said an action plan would be drafted to include some of the key resolutions formulated at international meetings, for instance the G-15 meeting.

"We the young leaders want to play our parts by drawing up the action plan which we can carry out to fit in with some of the resolutions at international meetings.

"Apart from the action plan, this congregation will also be the platform to exchange ideas with our brothers and sisters from other Asean member countries," he said.

He also stressed that the meeting was meant to train youth leaders to become good managers.

"We wish to be trained to become better managers who can provide our services not only to the Muslim society but also to others from different religions, races and culture."

He told this to the New Straits Times after the launch by Menteri Besar Tan Sri Wan Mokhtar Ahmad today.

The project was in line with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's recent statement that the country needed more managers than mere visionaries to achieve the objectives of Vision 2020.

One of the participants, Naz Phettongkham, 22, an engineering student of the King Monkut's Institute of Technology, in Thailand, said he would present the ideas born of this meeting to his counterparts back home.

"I am expected to table the ideas I got from the meeting to the other youths at home and also to get the answers to some questions," he said.

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